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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 18, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action (Paper No. 8) dated on August 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.